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THE CORN AND CACTUS—A DREAM.
Although this journal is essentially secular in its conduct, we need make no apology for copying a small space with an item for the religious reader. We attended divine service Sunday last, in the Presbyterian Church, Rev. T. V. Moore, pastor, where we listened one of his best sermons. The subject of discourse was the growing and crushing of the corn and cactus.

ys in which sin presents itself, and how perceptibly it entangles the soul of its victim, the reverend gentleman related a dream, the night previous, which on account of its novelty, as well as its applicability to the subject of the discourse, we will narrate to the reader, although, in so doing, we are fearful of doing the worthy pastor injustice—he having related it in a most effective and entertaining manner. “I thought,” said

"I was in a corn field near Richmond, and at a general view presented the finest field of corn my eyes had ever beheld. The stalks appeared to be taller than any I had ever seen—the grain better developed—the blades presented a greener hue, and the bright tassels nodded their heads gracefully to the passing breeze. After a closer view, however, I saw that many of the stalks were in a sear and yellow leaf, and others presented a sickly and withering appearance. I

made an examination into the cause of his blighting influence, and found that each link thus withered and dead was entwined with its very height with a snaky cactus, its entire surface bristling with myriads of thorns. The cactus had sprung up at the root of the vine, and at once embracing its victim, grew fiercer and stronger until its embrace had crushed out its vitality. I thought that thus was with sin in its touch; and that I brought

ention of exhibiting it to you this morning. And that I actually put it in my pulpit; but that point my dream vanished. But, said as I always desire to fulfil my promises, even if made in a dream, I have thought proper to relate it to you this morning." The reverend gentleman then went on to show how sin embracing a human soul in its very th, was, like the cactus of his dream, embracing in its very touch, and, if not thrown

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